OPINION 790

AXOPORA MILNE EDWARDS & HAIME, [1850] (HYDROZOA): VALIDATED UNDER THE PLENARY POWERS

RULING .- (1) Under the plenary powers the generic name Holaraea Milne Edwards & Haime, 1849, is hereby suppressed for the purposes of the Law of Priority but not for those of the Law of Homonymy.

(2) The generic name Axopora Milne Edwards & Haime, [1850] (gender : feminine), type-species, by original designation, Geodia pyriformis Michelin, [1847], is hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology with the Name Number 1739.

- (3) The specific name pyriformis Michelin, [1847], as published in the binomen Geodia pyriformis (type-species of Axopora Milne Edwards & Haime, [1850]) is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology with the Name Number 2173.
- (4) The family-group name AXOPORIDAE Boschma, 1951 (type-genus: Axopora Milne Edwards & Haime, [1850]) is hereby placed on the Official List of Family-Group Names in Zoology with the Name Number 417.
- (5) The generic name Holaraea Milne Edwards & Haime, 1849 (as suppressed under the plenary powers in (1) above) is hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Generic Names in Zoology with the Name Number 1890.

HISTORY OF THE CASE (Z.N.(S.) 1610)

The present case was submitted to the office of the Commission by Professor H. Boschma in September 1963. Dr. Boschma's application was sent to the printer on 17 December 1963 and was published on 7th August 1964 in Bull. zool. Nomencl. 21:225. Public Notice of the possible use of the plenary powers in the present case was given in the same part of the Bulletin as well as to the other prescribed serial publications (Constitution Art. 12b; Bull. zool. Nomencl. 21: 184). No comment was received.

DECISION OF THE COMMISSION

On 3 May 1966 the Members of the Commission were invited to vote under the Three-Month Rule on Voting Paper (66)24 either for or against the proposals set out in Bull. zool. Nomencl. 21: 225. At the close of the prescribed Voting Period on 3 August 1966 the state of the Voting was as follows:

Affirmative votes—twenty-three (23), received in the following order: China, Simpson, Mayr, Holthuis, Bonnet, Boschma, Brinck, Vokes, Lemche, Uchida, Jaczewski, Tortonese, Sabrosky, do Amaral, Mertens, Forest, Alvarado, Munroe, Ride, Stoll, Kraus, Evans, Binder.

Negative votes—none (0).

Voting Papers not returned—two (2): Hubbs, Obruchev.

ORIGINAL REFERENCES

The following are the original references for names placed on the Official Lists and Index by the Ruling given in the present Opinion:

Axopora Milne Edwards & Haime, [1850], Mon. Brit. foss. Corals: lix AXOPORIDAE Boschma, 1951, Zool. Verh., Leiden 13: 2 Holaraea Milne Edwards & Haime, 1849, C.R. Acad. Sci., Paris 29: 259 pyriformis, Geodia, Michelin, [847], Iconogr. zoophyt.: 178.

CERTIFICATE

We certify that the votes cast on Voting Paper (66)24 were cast as set out above, that the proposal contained in that Voting Paper has been duly adopted under the plenary powers, and that the decision so taken, being the decision of the International Commission, is truly recorded in the present Opinion No. 790.

G. OWEN EVANS
Secretary

W. E. CHINA
Assistant Secretary

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